

Apaluctneca July 2. 1870

My dear Doctor

Allow me to tender my
congratulations to yourself and
Mrs Gray on your safe arrival
home after so long an absence.

I will write Feay and tell
him what encouragement he may
expect through the efforts of Col.
Olney & yourself and judge him
in regard to the quality of his
specimens - a suggestion that he
might safely heed.

Leitneiu is a Willow with a
nut - in inflorescence & habit a
willow & in carpological character
a Myrtle. It is half way between
the two orders, & since simplification
is in order, it should be appended
to one or the other as a Sub Order
or Tribe. I think you sent me

Dr Oliver's figure before you
went abroad & I have only to
say of it that Sprague could
have done better with his eyes
bandaged.

As for myself I am greatly
disgusted with the reigning
dynasty which has swept
away indiscriminately both
saints & sinners. Consequently
I am compelled to break up
and seek employment elsewhere.

About the middle of this month
I go to Jacksonville on trial
leaving my family here. If
not satisfied I purpose remain-
ing to Memphis, Tenn.

I know of nothing botanical to
remain as ever

Yours most cordially
A. Chapman